



## “OrtonAmare” – year 2009 4th International Underwater Photography Competition

*The authors of under water photographs are divided into two categories:*

**ESTABLISHED PHOTOGRAPHERS:** those who have come first in a competition at a national or international level, or who contribute, even if only occasionally, to specialized magazines.

**BEGINNERS :** those who have never won a competition at a national or international level, and who do not contribute, even occasionally, to specialized magazines.

The photographs presented in the competition must be digital files in TIFF or JPEG format (size: 20x30 cm or 20x35 cm, 300 dpi each ), in colour or black and white. The following are not admitted: underwater images and films taken through submerged portholes, aquariums, swimming pools, images that show damage of the sea bed, animals that are frightened, stressed or in unnatural situations. Images that want to illustrate or report negative human activities.

The authors can present a maximum of 3 files per theme (wide-angle, macro). Each file must have a code, which shows in the following order: category (Established Photographers AF, Beginners ES), title, theme (wide-angle G, macro M) and number of files ( example: AF-white bream-M-01).

### ***IMAGES MUST BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING THEMES:***

#### **WIDE-ANGLE / ENVIRONMENT** (maximum 3 photos)

The image must be a panoramic /scenic shoot of the underwater environment. Human presence can be included in the image as a complementary element.

#### **MACRO / CLOSE-UP ON A THEME OF CHOICE** (maximum 3 photos)

The image must represent whole subjects, details of subjects or of underwater life that highlight the best aesthetic taste through composition choices, graphics research, lighting effects and chromatisms.

*The authors of Outdoor Photographs will take part in only one category named:*

#### **OPEN**

All photographers, including the ones who take part in the underwater categories, can take part in the competition.

The photos presented in the competition must be digital files in TIFF or JPEG format (size: 20x30 cm or 20x35 cm., 300 dpi each ), in colour or black and white and solely on the following theme:

*“ The sea ”*

The image must represent the sea from the outside in all its manifestations, including the relationship that binds it to man and other living creatures.

The authors can present a maximum of 3 files. Each file must have a code, which shows in the following order: category (Open OP), title and number of files (example: OP-dawn-01);



## COMPETITION RULES

Article. 1) Files must be recorded on a Cd-Rom, TIFF or JPEG format ( size 20x30 or 20x35 cm., 300 dpi each). For digital images the following is allowed:

- a maximum crop of 20% of the original image,
- use of the clone stamp to remove any minute defects,
- brightness and contrast.
- Photomontage and superposition of images are not allowed.
- Files obtained from prints and slides must be scanned in high resolution.

Article. 2) **Due date for submission is 30 May 2009.** The Cd-Rom must be sent to the following address:

**ORTONA SUB**  
**IV° Concorso internazionale di fotografia subacquea "OrtonAmare"**  
**c/o MESSAGGI**  
**Corso VITTORIO EMANUELE n°110 - 66026- Ortona (CH) - ITALY.**

As well as the Cd-Rom your envelope must contain the enrolment coupon (which can be downloaded from the [www.ortonasub.com](http://www.ortonasub.com) website, from the following link: IV° Concorso internazionale di fotografia subacquea "OrtonAmare" anno 2009) duly filled out in its entirety.

Article 3) The organization committee will put the files into folders divided by category and theme so that the jury, which will be composed of Andrea Giulianini, Claudio Bertasini and Denis Palbiani, may view them INDEPENDENTLY without knowing the name of the photographer.

Article 4) In the ESTABLISHED PHOTOGRAPHERS, BEGINNERS and OPEN competitions, those who are classified in 1st, 2nd and 3rd position for each theme, will receive a prize. Among all the photographs received, the jury will single out the most beautiful one presented in the show, which will be awarded the title of "BEST OF SHOW" and receive a prize.

Article 5) According to the Jury's unquestionable judgement, prizes will be awarded to photos that the competition rules qualify as "OUTSTANDING" apart from the category and theme.

Article. 6) Prize-giving for photographs of all categories will take place on 26.07.2009;

**The total prize-money is 5.000 euros, to be awarded as:**

- 8 days / 7 nights for one person – Walea Dive Resort – Indonesia - including transfer, half board and a scuba diving package consisting of 13 dives – (flights not included) – offered by Aquadiving Tour in cooperation with Walea Dive Resort.
- 8 days / 7 nights for one person – Villa Almarik - Lombok – Indonesia - including transfer, half board and a scuba diving package consisting of 13 dives – (flights not included) – offered by Aquadiving Tour in cooperation with Lotus & Resort.
- 8 days / 7 nights for one person – Lotus Bungalows – Bali - Indonesia including transfer, half board and a scuba diving package consisting of 13 dives – (flights not included) – offered by Aquadiving Tour in cooperation with Lotus & Resort.
- 7 nights for one person – Sampaguita Resort – Philippines – full board and scuba diving package - (flights not included) – offered by Asia Holidays.
- 7 nights for one person on a cruise in Sudan on the MS/Y San Marco, in superior category – full board and scuba diving package – (flights not included) – offered by Albatros Top Boat.

as well as photographic equipment, equipment for scuba-diving and underwater photography, books, typical local products and much more.

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Article 7) The organization committee will have all the award-winning photographs, the outstanding ones and at least one by each participant who has not received a prize, printed in 30 x 40 or 30 x 45 format. The prints will be displayed within the ORTONAMARE Photographic Exhibition, which will be held in Ortona from 24 July 2009 to 26 July 2009 in the Cloister of the Complesso Monumentale S. Anna and after that from 28 July to 9 August at the Galleria Iper in Ortona. The award-winning photos and the outstanding ones will be included in the catalogue of the show which will be given to all participants.

Article 8) In order to cover expenses, a **single enrolment fee of € 10,00 is requested.** Payment is to be made by:

- bank transfer to the following bank account: nbr. 677.19 **IBAN IT 34 W 01030 77780 00000067719** held at the Monte dei Paschi di Siena bank in Ortona (CH) in the name of ORTONA SUB, C.so G. Matteotti, 60 Ortona (Ch) – Italy.
- non-negotiable bank cheque made out to ORTONA SUB C.so G. Matteotti, 60 - 66026 Ortona (Ch) – Italy.
- **PayPal payment system (email: [info@ortonasub.com](mailto:info@ortonasub.com) - description: contest entry Ortonamare 2009 - amount: 10 € )**

Parcels which bear expenses or taxes charged to the organization committee will be rejected;

Article 9) During the whole exhibition, the public can express their judgement on a special form, voting for their favourite photo among those on display. The photo which receives the highest number of votes will be awarded the “Prize from the Public - year 2009”.

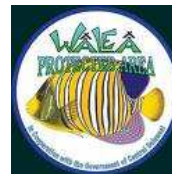
Article 10) Rankings will be published after the prizes have been awarded on the [www.ortonasub.com](http://www.ortonasub.com) site. For further information please contact the competition secretariat at the following email address: [info@ortonasub.com](mailto:info@ortonasub.com)

Article 11) Prizes are not accumulable. Prizes which are not collected during the awarding ceremony will be sent by the organization committee;

Article 12) The organization committee, in compliance with the laws established regarding copyright, considers the pieces of work presented in the competition to be exempt from all rights to artistic property or from rights belonging to third parties;

Article 13) The Cd-Roms and prints of the respective categories will not be returned and will be included in the archive of the exhibition.

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